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City Manager Appoints General Manager of Community Services

FALLS CHURCH, VA. – City Manager Dan McKeever announced today the appointment of Cindy Mester as the General Manager of Community Services for the City of Falls Church. As General Manager Mester will manage the City's Recreation and Parks, Court Services, Housing and Human Services and Mary Riley Styles Public Library divisions. Ms. Mester brings 26 years of increasingly responsible community services experience to the City, and has served as the Director of Loudoun County Housing Services since 1991.

Mester possesses a Bachelor of Science degree in Therapeutic Recreation from Longwood College and a Master of Education degree in Counseling and Development in Community Agencies from George Mason University. She began her career with Loudoun County in the Parks and Recreation Department then progressed to mental health/mental retardation assignments, and ultimately into Loudoun County Housing Services. Mester has considerable experience in community and housing services and has worked extensively with other Loudoun County departmental agencies and volunteer boards and commissions. "I am pleased that Cindy Mester will join our management team as she brings to the City broad community service experience, and a commitment to service excellence," stated Dan McKeever, Falls Church City Manager.

Ms. Mester will begin her duties with the City of Falls Church on Monday, April 4, 2005.

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